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ZONE-00
The Man Called Oni and the Transfer Student of Fire

ASHES TO ASHES.
PLEASE REPENT.
P RDON ME.

DUST...
TO DUST...

AS EXPECTED OF THE DEMON CAPITAL, TOKYO
MONONOKE ARE CRAWLING AROUND EVERY-WHERE.
HM.
LET'S JUST SETTLE DOWN HERE.
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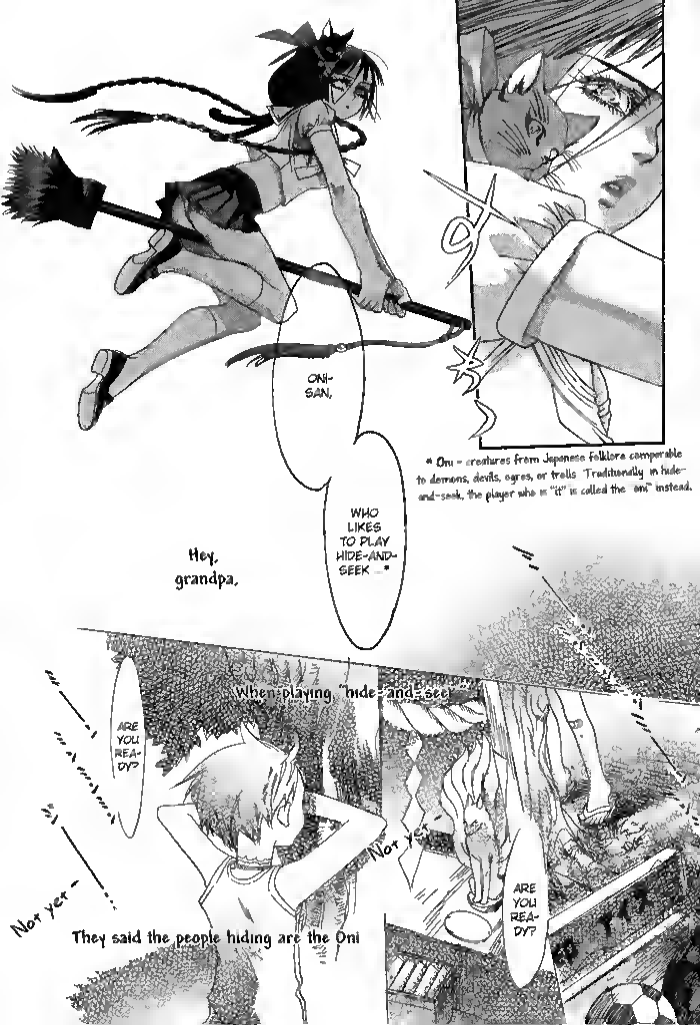
ONI-SAN,
WHO LIKES TO PLAY HIDE-AND-SEEK ~♪
Hey, grandpa,
* Oni - creatures from Japanese folklore comparable to demons, devils, ogres, or trolls. Traditionally in hide-and-seek, the player who is "it" is called the "oni" instead.
When playing "hide-and-seek"
ARE YOU READY?
Not yet~
They said the people hiding are the Oni
ARE YOU READY?
Not yet~

Is that true, Grandpa?
ARE YOU READY?
HM?
AH.
HE WOKE UP.
Grr—
Grr—

Don't run in the hallways!
Hey found him!
You guys!
Thank goodness
Good morning!
Geez! We were worried!
We found him.
Really?
In
INHUMAN!!
HELLO!
I'M KUJO SABUROU!
2-C
AHEM
THANKS TO THOSE OF YOU WHO PLAYED HIDE-AND-SEEK BEFORE HOMEROOM TODAY,
WE HAD TO GO LOOK FOR KUJO, WHO FELL ASLEEP IN THE AIRSHAFT OPENING
AND IT TOOK SIX WHOLE HOURS.
Don't mess with me!!

LET ME INTRO-DUCE
TRANSFER STUDENT SHIMA ANGO-KUN.
AND OKINO MAYOKO-KUN
Come and worship
Blood type
Blood type
Sweet
Grrrreen
Sweet
Sweet
Sweet

*Letters = To Kuya and Shima
Kyaa
Kyaa
A god!
ANY-WAY
DUE TO LACK OF TIME, WE'RE GOING TO STOP HERE TODAY.
SEE YOU LATER!
HEY
SHIMA!
YEAH?
わく
ARE YOU TWO
わく
DATING BY ANY CHANCE?

YOU GUYS WENT TO THE SAME SCHOOL IN KYOTO, RIGHT?
DID YOU KISS ALREADY?
AND HAVE S-E-X,
NO, WE DID NOT!
WHAT ARE YOU? A FOURTH GRADER WHO JUST STARTED HEALTH ED!?
WELL...
IT'S TRUE THAT ANGO—
ALMOST DID ME IN A FEW TIMES.
MEOW
KYYY
BUT...
I WAS ABLE—
TO PUSH HIM DOWN RIGHT AFTER THAT
EH?

KUJO,
YOU SHOULD ALSO BE CAREFUL
items in egg magazines, soccer digest or love letters* etc.
Mysterious!
really, really mysterious!
Shima you're so cool!
walk on the sidewalk
Kansai is definitely making progress!*
* Kansai = south-western half of Japan
That woman
DAMN IT. HE MISUNDERSTOOD
—BUT IS IT ALL RIGHT FOR YOU TO GO HOME?
WHAT ABOUT SOCCER PRACTICE?
YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO SKIP IT JUST TO WALK ME HOME.
EH?
But I really like Shima!
SPACE

Why don't you join the soccer team?
SHIMA!
I'VE ALWAYS THOUGHT OF MYSELF AS A HIDE AND SEEK GENIUS!!
FATE IS MYSTERIOUS!
You look like a foreigner but you speak with a Kansai dialect.
Do you like Sugimoto Aya?
A NORMAL PERSON WOULDN'T GO HIDE IN AN AIRSHAFT OPENING, RIGHT?
BUT YOU STILL FOUND ME!
*Sugimoto Aya - Japanese singer, model and dancer from Kyoto, best known for her J-Pop and indie career.
REALLY INTERESTING
WELL WHATEVER
YOU ARE
What is he talking about?
Mysterious?
He wasn't listening
As I was saying!
Shima, are you free right now?
INVADER
Yeah!!
I want to go to this really cool clothes store
It's called "Gobi"
There's a bar right above it
The owner's name is Byakko. He's really mysterious, too!
He looks like a kid and he's really cute!

SHIMA?
EH?
HUH?
OH, YEAH
I ALMOST FORGOT

YOUNG MASTER,
IT'S GETTING DARK.
THAT PERSON JUST NOW...
WAS HE YOUR FRIEND?

THE HOUR OF DISASTER IT'S TIME TO GO HUNTING
LET'S GO!
Hour of Disaster Shopping District, in front of Kouenji Station
047
SYA-RAKU.
KANA-BUSA.
I DON'T KNOW HIM
WHO?

*Abe Hiroshi - Japanese model turned actor known for his "cool guy" appearance
Abe Hiroshi's Voice
Hey
I am a dog
Kuro-hara, why are you acting like a dog?
We have so much free time on our hands
After picking up our masters from school all we do is nap
Yawn
And went for a walk
I played Frisbee
But...
Not that much different from Kyoto cat
What do you think of Tokyo so far?
Well I've seen all there is to see when I sleep or shower with her but I don't want other man to look at her It's not that I'm being possessive or anything but
It's like a mini skirt! Her panties were almost showing!
Her skirt
After Mayoko started going to middle school here
*Kimagure Bo - Manga by Masahiro Itahashi representative of the fruits of teenage angst and romance
Step
Abe Hiroshi's Voice
You're nothing but a pervert!
Besides you should stop looking under your master's skirt
You have no right to yell at me!
Don't be ridiculous! You think I have as much right as the next guy to look at Ran-chan's panties!
You worry too much Koban-kun
Don't eat me!!
Mm, slightly sour with a hint of sweetness. ♡
Vitamins!

LOOK...
LOOK-ING AT PANTIES !?
Oh crap
Damn he heard us talking !
DOG LAN-GUAGE
NO
CAT LAN-GUAGE !?
NO
THIS
THIS IS...
Just as Stupid as
Bar
Bonton
Cat
Ears were Playing Eyes on you, woof!
You musta been hearing things meow
A dog and a cat speaking human language!!
Hes not listening!
Mysteri-ous!!
What's this?
Why? What is this? It doesn't make any sense!
A mystery !!
!!!
An amber seal....
And a scar on his neck!?
And the Doberman has Abe's voice!
NOOO!
Let g- of me!
St- it!

フワッ
H-Hime!!
Mayu-ki!
Haha
YOU SEEM TO BE HAVING FUN!
BUT
WHAT ARE YOU DOING
KOBAN? IT'S AWFULLY NOISY
RIGHT NOW, YOU LOOK LIKE AN IKE KUROBEE
ガビーン
U...UKE!?
ｲﾔﾃﾞｽ!!
Tsu: Russian girl singing the short love that girl loves that girl" in Russian
EH?
MANAGER, YOU KNEW ALREADY!?
THAT KUROBEE AND KOBAN CAN SPEAK HUMAN!?
WELL, I'VE BEEN HERE FOR A LONG TIME
I GUESS YOU FINALLY FOUND OUT
ZZ..

I WAS A BIT SURPRISED
BUT THIS IS JUST THE BEGINNING!
HM, IS THAT SO?
WERE YOU SURPRISED?
Hmmmm looks so cute like that!
BUT IT'S GREAT! THAT MEANS THERE ARE STILL MORE MYSTERIES OUT THERE!
OF COURSE!
FROM NOW ON, THERE LL BE A LOT MORE OF THEM
THOSE ...
THINGS YOU CALL "MYSTERIES."
THAT'S ALSO WHY YOU CAME HERE TO TOKYO, RIGHT?
WITCH OF THE EAST SHIRAYURI HIME
AND WITCH OF THE WEST, MAJOKO.

THAT'S RIGHT
BYAKKO
AND HE'S HERE
YOUNG MASTER SHIMA
Yeah
I THOUGHT WE ALREADY REACHED A COMPROMISE WITH THE SHIMA FAMILY
MAJOKO?
Mm? Mayoko?
Huh?
SHIMA?
ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT THAT SHIMA?
BUT ISN'T THAT STRANGE KURO-BEE?
OH? THAT'S RIGHT
KUJO-KUN STILL DOESN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT IT

ACTUALLY
HUH?

Daddy
Let Namakura take care of this!
Switch to Kubikiri mode!*
*Literally, "Cut-Throat Mode"
Whoever cut off Saburou Onii-chan's head. I'll...
KILL!!
Hime!
Leave this to us!
You guys go to second floor!
We'll let you know when it's safe, Mayuko.
We'll take care of this quickly.

Fuu
How lame.
Hmmph
Familiar spirit Koban, knight mode!!
Shi-chan
But before that...
Senryou!
Yeahh
Familiar spirit Kurobee, knight mode.
Kuro-bee.
Shi-chan voice
Hmmph
Leave it to me, princess.
I'll protect you, princess!
That's right!
Get going already.

THE ONE WHO CHOPPED KUJO'S HEAD OFF WAS...
A KAMAITACHI!?
WELL.
BRAVO, NAMA-KURA!
*Kamaitachi: Japanese yurei (yokai) most commonly depicted as a group of weasels with sharp claws
AS EXPECTED OF A KILLING DOLL.
TWIST
Mm
NAMI-KUR...
*Kurama's name literally translates to "black R
rose scent
STEP
sigh?
TWIST
BOYS SHOULDN'T CRY LIKE THIS. YOU KNOW?
Eh!?
Ultra-sonic crying...!
Apparently, cats and dogs both hate it
http://www.dannyla.wordpress.com

THE KUJO-KUN IN HEAVEN
WOULD SAY THE SAME THING
DOG THERAPY, HUH?
Some thing a cat can't do
But.. I couldn't do it
Why? Why?
No matter how many times I cut its neck, it just wouldn't die!!
Why didn't you say that earlier ...!?
SO...

HAVEN'T WE REACHED A COMPROMISE ALREADY?
SHIMA-KUN?
WHY ARE YOU POINTING A GUN AT MY HEAD ALL OF A SUDDEN,
Y'KNOW.
COM-PRO-MISE?
I TAKE THAT BACK.
ISN'T THE ONE LYING THERE WITHOUT HIS HEAD KUJO?
The one who killed him was one of your kind, wasn't it?
It was impossible from the start.
The clan of exorcists, the Shima family...
Can't be on good terms with monsters like you!

YOU HAVE ANGERED BOTH OUR YOUNG MASTER AND GOD
MONONOKE LIKE YOU HAVE BEEN OUT OF CONTROL OF LATE
I AGREE
YOU LACK JUSTICE IN YOUR DOINGS.
HERE IN TOYKO THERE ARE MORE AND MORE INNOCENT VICTIMS FALLING INTO THE HANDS OF MONONOKE
JUST LIKE WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUNG MASTER'S FRIEND HERE...
THAT'S ENOUGH SYARAKU
I don't really care about Kujal
The reason I came to Tayko...
Was to defeat these demonic mononoke as an exorcist!
Demon is...?
Dont make it sound so bad
Ha..!
VGH!

*Reference to three-legged crow — in Asian culture it's said that a crow with three legs is a good omen. It looks like Benten wears no glasses/goggles.

Gee
DRAGONFLY-KUN.*
Nice throw Mayoko!
You caught him off guard
DRA-GON-FLY!?
Yatagarasu, Benten!*
Yatagarasu – three legged bird in Japanese mythology belonging to the sun goddess Amaterasu
x2
HEY
Bar Benten.
Now Hiring! Welcome!
Nice throw♡
BUT HITTING HIS FACE IS AGAINST THE RULES IN DODGE BALL AIM FOR HIS BODY NEXT TIME.
Uwa...
Uwa. Benten
It's not very nice to use people's heads as a dodge ball
(Don't believe me! 100,000+ views)
MY BAD!
ANYWAY, SHIMA-CHAN.
LET ME TELL YOU SOME-THING AS THIS TOWN'S INFOR-MANT
THE TROUBLE-MAKERS TERRORIZING INNOCENTS HERE IN TOKYO
IS NOT OF OUR KIND
HUH—?

*Nekomata - demon from Japanese Folklore with two tails and powers of necromancy and shamanism
THINK ABOUT OUR CURRENT SITUATION
JUST AS I SAID
WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS?
BENTEN-DONO
IT'S BECAUSE THEY'VE BOTH DETERMINED THAT THE THING THEY'RE FIGHTING IS THEIR "ENEMY."
BUT RIGHT NOW BOTH OF THEM ARE FIGHTING THE MONSTER THAT KILLED KUJO
WHY?
SENRYOU IS A NEKOMATA, AND KURODARA IS A HELLHOUND.*
BOTH OF THEM ARE MONONOKE.
Person who cried when Hoshino Soichi announced his retirement
DON'T REFER TO PEOPLE BY THE BASEBALL TEAM THEY LIKE!
Soichi Fan
He's like a professional
Soichi Fan
AND IF THAT'S TRUE, THEN THE ONE WHO KILLED KUJO...
SHIMA-KUN.
Mr. Almighty Exorcist
THIS TIME, WE MONONOKE ARE ON YOUR SIDE... SO NOW'S NOT THE TIME FOR US TO BE KILLING EACH OTHER.
SO, YOU'RE WRONG.
GOT IT, HANSHIN FANBOY?*

*Carol - Japanese rock band inspired by the Beatles and the Rolling Stones
*Hanshin - Hanshin Tigers, professional Central League baseball team based in Japan

RIGHT NOW, THE LEVEL OF MIASMA...
IS TOO MUCH FOR A NORMAL HUMAN TO HANDLE.
Ah...
BE CAREFUL.
IT'S PROBABLY ABOUT TIME.
THUMP
Miasma... how nostalgic.
IF MY GUESS IS CORRECT,
The scar on his neck,
Severed for the second time.
The shattered amber seal...
THUMP
"If..."
KUJO-KUN IS...
His last words...
"If the one I possess suffers the same death as I did..."

For real?
The seal will be broken,
KUJO!?
KU ...
What... what's with this miasma!?
AN ONI.
Chir chen ...?
GAH!
THAT'S RIGHT!
IT'S KUJO-KUN
KUJO-KUN IS...

ウッソ～!!
UH OH.
this is getting bad
TSK
HA
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I LAST FOUGHT
SENRYOU-KUN!
really really bad
100 years may-be?
I...
THIS THING IS NO REGULAR MONO-NOKE.
JUST WHAT THE HELL IS IT?

*Dash Village = Team which is the main focus of "The Tetsuwan Dash," where Japanese boy band Tokio embarks on projects with goals, like training dogs, losing weight, etc. Mostly just a cue to run

An Oni!!
In many ways!
Useless
Animal
EEK! It's here
How bur-ning
Stop
BEATS ME
WHAT IS WITH THAT ONI...?
Huh!?
Damn
You cunning little brat
One day, I will com-pletely devour
This body and soul

Kujo-kun!?
!!?
It's really here!!
KUJO-KUN IS AN ONI!?
Actually,
YOU!
WHAT HAPPENED HERE!?
HIME'S PANTIES
THEY HAD STRINGS
ISN'T HE SUPPOSED TO BE DEAD!?
wait!
HEY, KUJO! GET A HOLD OF YOURSELF!
Anyone there?
Welcome to Okinawa
Shisa
Found in Okinawa
Looks like a stone lion
Pantheon
AH.
A SHISA.

Shi...
SHISA!?
I HAD NO IDEA!!
HAS STRINGS!?
H-H-HIME'S
Shinjuku, Tokyo
Full moons are nice.
Even if it isn't exactly real
Its shine makes this world more beautiful
INSPECTOR!
Hm?
Let's get a drink
Just kidding
Well...
I SMELL SOMETHING FISHY...
Um...
YOU'RE STILL HERE.
INSPECTOR MURAKUMO?
HOW ANNOYING...
I'M TERRIBLY SORRY!

OH!
IS IT THAT AGAIN?
AS EXPECTED OF THE WOLF DETECTIVE! YOU CAN SNIFF OUT ANY CASE!
So what is it this time?
IT'S THAT DRUG AGAIN.
LOOKS LIKE.
THIS ONE IS GONNA BE BIG
The Oni has revived.
A true Oni, of the purest evil
A DANGEROUS DRUG THAT LURES PEOPLE TO "GROUND ZERO."
IT CAN MAKE "IMPOSTERS."
REPLICAS OF MONONOKE
KUJO
Kiyoami has revived.
ITS NAME IS ZONE-OO.
Sugimoto Aya...
Mysterious..

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「偽物」をつくりだす
“零の境地にいざなう”薬

魔都・東京。魔物と人間の長い戦いは、一応「和解」という形で平静を保っていた、はずだった。
しかし、凶悪いの悪高安吾は東京の異変に気づき、異常に増えヨヨある魔物を退治するためやってきた。
そこで出会った九浄三郎はいきなり首を刎ねられ、絶命!! そして…
鬼の目覚めとともに流行りだした麻薬「ZONE-00」。それは一体誰が何のために作ったのか!?

その名はZONE-00

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